

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 148 - HB 946

March 26, 2021

**SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL:** Creates a specific deadline of January 1 of each year for the submission of the annual plan of expenditures regarding state grant-in-aid funds submitted by each county to the Commissioner of Health.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (005468):** Deletes and rewrites all language after the enacting clause. Authorizes certain healthcare officers and providers licensed in this state to provide consultation, examination, diagnosis or treatment to a minor to prevent STDs, without the knowledge or consent of the parents of the minors.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 68-10-104(c), the following healthcare officers and providers licensed in this state may examine, diagnose, and treat minors infected with STDs without the knowledge or consent of the parents of the minors, and shall incur no civil or criminal liability in connection with the examination, diagnosis, or treatment, except for negligence:
  - Any state, district, county, or municipal health officer; or
  - Any physician, nurse practitioner with a certificate of fitness and an appropriate supervising physician, nurse midwife who is an advanced practice registered nurse under § 63-7-126 and who has an appropriate supervising physician, or physician assistant with an appropriate supervising physician.
- Expanding authorization to include prevention services will not have a significant impact on the procedures or processes of the health-related boards or the Department of Health; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-29-121, all health-related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. The Board of Medical Examiners had an annual

deficit of \$346,206 in FY18-19, an annual surplus of \$180,872 in FY19-20, and a cumulative reserve balance of \$1,846,148 on June 30, 2020.

- The Board of Nursing had an annual surplus of \$1,362,072 in FY18-19, an annual surplus of \$60,992 in FY19-20, and a cumulative reserve balance of \$9,408,064 on June 30, 2020.
- The Committee on Physician Assistants had an annual deficit of \$17,959 in FY18-19, an annual deficit of \$406,997 in FY19-20, and a cumulative reserve balance of \$276,500 on June 30, 2020

## **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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